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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A))

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time up to and including March 9, 2006 for responding to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005 (Paper No. 20050831). A continuation application claiming priority of the above-identified application is being separately filed on even date herewith.

[X] A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed herewith.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210051.0025) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.

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